

Manuscript Column
By A. V. SHERRMAN

**Masked Men
RAID TUNIS
RADIO CENTRE**

TUNIS, Saturday (Reuters). — Seven masked Tunisians attempting to sabotage radio communications in Tunisia today by attacking the transmitting station outside Tunis with grenades and sub-machineguns.

Four soldiers guarding the station were injured, one seriously, and a civilian was killed in a skirmish inside the building.

Three hours later the commander of a military post 10 kilometers away was fired on by a sub-machinegunner but escaped unhurt. Fellow he lived the same band of Tunisians was responsible.

Soldiers Asoop

Two operators were on duty at the transmitting station when three masked men burst in, shouting "Allah Akbar" and were quickly joined by four others carrying grenades and sub-machineguns.

The group entered the station and searched for sub-machineguns and leveled it at the operators. One of the operators fired a single shot but it did not explode. The others then opened fire and retreated.

WHY, then, comes the question, and they hold the Congress at all? The speeches reached the public only in the same way as all other speeches reach them, through the radio and press, and the faithful hearer, while listening to them, while reading the news, will not be troubled by the usual "Tunisian" editorial which would have the same thing to say about the speeches.

The more important speeches have been hurried to forward some sharp comments in line to be put over dramatically at the Congress; they have been disappointed, as well they might. One of the main aims of official interpretation of the speeches is to show the Tunisians that the Tunisian Government is not always in line with the Tunisian people's own desires, that in fact it is the others who were out of step. Such a policy towards the West reflects the internal economic and social weakness, and his fear of the influence of the Tunisian Government's political freedom, and higher standard of living on the people of Tunisia. How he could alter his policy now, without preparing to see his region undergo radical transformation, is a question for the Tunisian Government to decide. To hope for peace is very good, but to allow that hope to blind one to the fact that Stalin's dictatorship needs the cold war and "Western" democracy as a condition of the self-perpetuation hardly helps.

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Release of Blocked Accounts Meant to Pave Way to Talks

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TEL AVIV, Saturday. — The agreement through the Palestine Conciliation Commission for the release of blocked accounts of Arab refugees from Palestine is calculated to remove what the Arab states claim to be a major obstacle to direct talks for the settlement of all problems.

While there are no strings attached to the release of the first fund, the Government has been led to expect that the Israel government may lead to progress toward a general settlement and that Arab states may reciprocate by releasing from Jewish assets in their countries.

The Israel Government will be very disappointed if neither of these results is achieved and it is doubtful if, in that event, subsequent releases of Arab blocked accounts will be effected. The release of these accounts in the Barclays and Citibank is estimated to be approximately \$1.4 million.

The decision to release the accounts in sums of up to \$500,000 was designed to show the Arab states that the Government was ready to make the release of funds for the release of Jewish assets.

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Sharett Calls for Mapai Offensive Against Mapam

By SHAYO SHAPIRO

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TEL AVIV, Saturday. — Foreign Minister Sharett called for an "offensive of strategy" by which Mapai could pass from the defensive to the offensive in its spiritual struggle with Mapam.

He was speaking at the first Council meeting of the Israel Government since the election, which was held in the Knesset building.

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Britain to Avoid U.S.S.R. 'Snare'—Churchill Says

USSR Wants Peace But Ready For War—Marshal Bulganin

MOSCOW, Saturday (Reuters). — Marshal Nikolai Bulganin, Soviet Deputy Premier, said here today that despite Russia's peaceful intentions her economy could be put on a war footing in the shortest possible time.

Marshal Bulganin made his speech yesterday to the 17th Congress of the U.S.S.R. Communist Party, but the text was not released until today.

He said the Five-Year Plan Directives gave proof that the Soviet people were devoting their efforts to peaceful construction and were not striving for war.

A Moscow radio report of his speech quoted him as saying: "A great spirit of belatedness is being shown by the Atlantic bloc generals who are rushing from one country to another on orders from their Wall Street bosses." He also criticized the recent operation "Mainbrace"—NATO combined naval and air force exercises, the radio said.

The Deputy Premier said Turkish leaders had lost all sense of responsibility and were allowing Turkey to become "an appendage of the Anglo-American bloc. They were dragging their country into a path of 'dangerous adventures'."

Eden Receives Rival Sudan Delegations

LONDON, Saturday (Reuters). — Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden today maintained Britain's position on constitutional progress for the Sudan but left the door open for agreement with Egypt should this become possible.

In a communique issued after Mr. Eden earlier today had received delegations from the Sudan, the Foreign Office said Britain's intentions show no signs of departing from the undertakings on constitutional matters already given to the Sudanese people.

Mr. Eden received the Sudan political and religious leader Mr. Sayed Abdel Rahman and his delegation, the pre-independence Umma Party for an hour and a half. The Mahdi was accompanied by his eldest son, Sayed Ismail, President of the Umma Party, and Ali Taha, Education Minister.

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The letter said, "Our side has always held that the method and the procedure of repatriation of all war prisoners can be negotiated, and in the proposals made by our side this time, we have adopted the views of your side with respect to the transport of all war prisoners to a demilitarized zone to be exchanged."

The letter accused the Allies of rejecting the Korean truce talks indefinitely in order to put pressure on the U.N. General Assembly meeting in New York this week and obtain U.N. approval of their plot to break up negotiations and extend the war.

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• The next day and night
• German boats

Cables in Brief

LOWEY—Mr. Earl Browder, former U. S. Communist Party leader, and his wife were reportedly released from jail a half of 11:58 a.m. They were released by the Federal Bureau of Investigation on September 30 charged

LABOR AGREEMENTS.—Mr. Brewster's report was that the labor agreement was not made, but that they had agreed to negotiate. The hearing was postponed October 28.

IADE.—A special committee representing all branches of the West Coast economy has been set up to investigate the work of the IADE. The West German government has a agency reporting the yesterday that the committee thought that the IADE was not working properly and that its activities were to be limited for Russia, China and South-East Europe.

L.—Mr. Thomas Graham, of Glasgow, British expert on labor importation, is scheduled to leave today for London to discuss the situation of the labor market for the health, safety, welfare and employment conditions of its all workers.

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